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**MEMORANDUM:**

TO: All Licensed Child Care Providers

FROM: Virginia T. Lodge, Commissioner

DATE: June 18, 2008

SUBJECT: Proposed Rules

Enclosed please find a copy of the [Notice of Rulemaking](#), which includes the proposed Report Card & Rated Licensing Rules, and a [summary of the major proposed changes](#).

During the past few years a provider advisory council met regularly to review and discuss the current Report Card and Rated Licensing Rules. As a result of those meetings, the Department is proposing several changes to the current rules. The major changes are outlined in the enclosed summary.

Rulemaking hearings to receive public comment on these proposed rules are scheduled for July as outlined in the Notice of Rulemaking. In addition to the scheduled rulemaking hearings the Department will be conducting informational meetings about the proposed changes immediately prior to each rulemaking hearing.

The informational meetings will include an opportunity for Department Staff to share more detail about the proposed changes along with a time for questions from the audience.

A schedule of the informational meetings and rulemaking hearings is included on the back of this memorandum.

Enclosures: Notice of Rulemaking  
Summary of Major Proposed Changes

**Informational Meeting and Rulemaking Hearing Schedule**

**Note: The Informational Meeting will be held between 6:30 PM and 7:25 PM  
followed by the Public Hearing that will start at 7:30PM  
(all Times are location standard times)**

<b>CITY</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Nashville	Second Floor Conference Room Citizens Plaza Building 400 Deaderick Street Nashville, TN 37248	Wednesday - July 16, 2008
Cookeville	Cookeville District Office 1000 England Drive, Suite B Cookeville, TN 38501	Thursday, July 17, 2008
Knoxville	7th Floor Conference Room A State Office Building 531 Henley Street Knoxville, TN 37902	Friday - July 18, 2008
Johnson City	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room Tennessee Department of Human Services 905 Buffalo Street Johnson City, TN 37604	Friday - July 18, 2008
Memphis	Nabors (Gym) Southwest Tennessee Community College 5983 Macon Cove Memphis, TN 38134	Monday, July 21, 2008
Jackson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room B Lowell Thomas State Office Building 225 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 210 Jackson, TN 38301	Tuesday - July 22, 2008
Chattanooga	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium State Office Building 540 McCallie Avenue Chattanooga, TN 37402	Friday – July 25, 2008